GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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EXPORT OF SPICES
Kharventhan Shri Salarapatty Kuppusamy

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the total quantity of non-traditional spices namely mint, coriander, fennel, etc. exported during the last three years;

(b) whether the Union Government is providing any assistance to the State Governments for the production and export of these spices;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

(a) The total quantity of some non traditional spices namely mint, coriander, fennel etc exported during the last three years is as follows:-

Quantity: MTs Name of the Spice	2004-05	2005-06	2006-07	2007-08 (April-Sept)
Mint & mint products	11143	14544	16250	9000
Coriander	33582	23756	20500	12900
Fennel	7590	5725	3575	2975

(b) to (d): No assistance is given to the State Government for production and export of spices. However, assistance is extended to States for development of export infrastructure under the central scheme of Assistance to States for Development of Export Infrastructure (ASIDE). Incentives and subsidies are provided by the government to the individual growers /exporters.